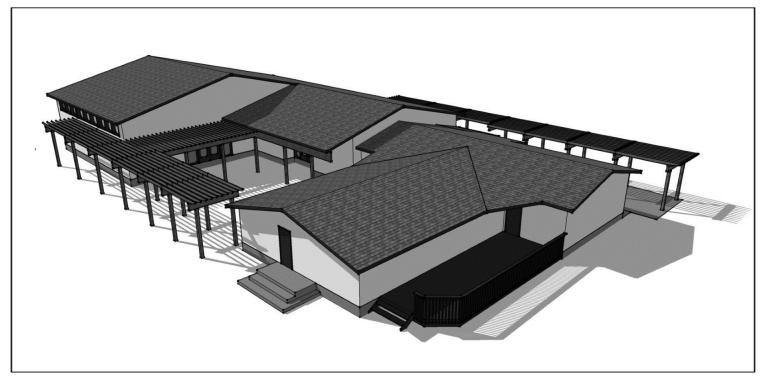
Malmo Plains Community News

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A Concept Drawing of the Redeveloped Malmo Hall.

New Malmo Community Hall hoping for 2018 completion date

A renovation and significant expansion to the Malmo Community Hall building is coming soon.

The current Malmo Hall, which has served the community since 1965, is about to be more than doubled in size with the addition of a new main hall in a project totaling \$950,000.

The Malmo Plains Community League's Infrastructure Redevelopment Committee presented the plans for the expansion (concept drawing above) at the League's Sept. 17 Spaghetti Dinner, showing off the hall's bright future to about 150 residents.

The League is still seeking grants from the city and province to help fund the project, but if all goes according to plan, construction will begin one year from now, in October of 2017, with a hopeful completion date of March 31, 2018.

The new hall will greatly enhance the service the League provides to the community, allowing it to host multiple events at the same time, fostering usage of the hall and its surrounding amenities (like the ice rink and volleyball courts) in all four seasons, all while fitting beautifully into the neighbourhood.

Once completed, the new hall will be able to serve

Malmo for another generation, and will also be more capable of supporting our growing community. If all grants fall into place, the funding for the project will be as follows: \$225,000 from the League, \$200,000 from Westcorp Property Management Inc., \$425,000 from the City of Edmonton and \$100,000 from the Province of Alberta.

Contractor needed for ice maintenance

With the winter season just around the corner, the Malmo Plains Community League is in need of a contractor to look after maintenance of the ice rink. The selected contractor will make and maintain the ice in the rink throughout the winter, and will also shovel snow from the sidewalks surrounding the hall. Anyone interested in earning the contract can email facilities@malmoplains.com to apply or for more information.

Malmo Plains reconnects at annual Spaghetti Dinner

Malmo residents came together to enjoy food, fun and fellowship at the Sept. 17 Spaghetti Dinner in what has become a proud fall tradition for the Malmo Plains Community League.

The dinner welcomed residents (and several new League members) back after a quiet summer, and pounds of pasta was consumed while friends, both new and old, were acquainted and reconnected.

More than 150 people turned out for the dinner, held at the Malmo Community Hall. The Hall itself was a big topic of conversation that night, as the League's plans for an expansion of the hall were presented (see front page for details).

For youngsters, games and prize draws were held, and a bouncy castle was on site. All in all, it was a great late summer night in Malmo.

"A huge thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the event, including those who cooked, cleaned, managed the food, sold tickets and drinks and made sure the event ran smoothly. Without the volunteers, this event would not have been possible!" said Amanda Prentice, event organizer.

Prentice thanked everyone who attended and everyone who helped, but the work of a community league is never done, and Prentice is on the lookout for more volunteers to help with future events. Anyone interested can contact her at ahprentice@gmail.com





Two of the 150 attendees of the Sept. 17 Spaghetti Dinner load up on pasta while Amanda Prentice (right) runs the prize draw.

Secretary position open on Malmo executive board

The Malmo Plains Community League has an immediate opening for the role of Secretary, on its volunteer Executive Board.

The Secretary position has wideranging responsibilities. He or she is an active conduit for communication by giving proper notice of any meetings and timely distribution of materials such as agendas and meeting minutes.

Additionally, the Secretary should be knowledgeable of the organization's records and related materials and, as a signing authority, assist them in fulfilling their fiduciary duties.

As the custodian of the organization's records, the Secretary is responsible for maintaining accurate documentation and meeting any legal requirements such as annual filing deadlines. The Secretary is responsible for reviewing and updating documents as necessary and ensuring all documents are safely stored and readily accessible.

If you are resident of Malmo, would like to join an excellent volunteer board and serve the community in this important role, please contact the Malmo League President at president@malmoplains.com.

ETS Route 55 service EFCL News & Events reduced

Fall changes to Edmonton Transit System routes include some modifications to the Route 55 bus.

From now on, the route's service will be reduced in the following wavs:

- -The 6:15 a.m. trip from Southgate is cancelled.
- -All service after 6:04 p.m. on weekdays is cancelled
- -The route is cancelled entirely Saturdays and Sundays

The changes took effect in September

Facebook Us

The Malmo Plains Community League has a group page on Facebook. There you will find announcements and events from the League, and items of interest from other Malmo group members. We encourage and invite everyone living in Malmo to join the group. To join the group go to www.facebook.com/groups/ MalmoPlains. We hope to see you on Facebook.

The Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues (EFCL) connects and represents Edmonton's 157 community leagues.

Softscape Vs. Hardscape

With the goal of creating a more compact city, the City of Edmonton has been increasing the number of dwellings and the allowable size of buildings on each site. While this has brought up regulation discussions for amenity space and set-backs, it has also raised the question of whether or not, policies should be put in place regarding the percentages of softscape vs hardscape when it comes to property landscaping With the trend is towards larger residential buildings on smaller sites, it is important to ensure that the smaller yards are being used to achieve the maximum benefits for quality of life, the environment and our city's infrastructure.

This is why the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues encouraged City Council to introduce a minimum soft surface landscape area policy for residential zones. In June, City Council directed Administration to work on these regulations and as such, will likely be on the Nov. 2 agenda of the Council Urban Planning Committee. See the full article at efcl.org

Green Leagues workshop

The EFCL and the City of Edmonton would like community leagues to be an example for energy efficiency to help inspire energy sustainability at a household level. Learn about energy sustainability and receive hands-on assistance to apply for funding energy efficient upgrades to your community building.

Workshops:

-Tuesday, Sept. 27, 6pm to 8pm Greening Your Neighbourhood: a workshop on community sustainability planning

Where: Evansdale Community League, 9111 150 Ave. Tuesday, Oct. 4, 6pm to 8pm

- -Here Comes the Sun: the basics of solar photovoltaic (PV) Where: Alberta Avenue Community League, 9210 118 Ave. Tuesday, Oct. 11, 6pm to 8pm
- -Saving Energy, Saving Carbon, Saving Money: an introduction to energy efficiency Where: West Jasper Place Community League, 9620 152 St. Tuesday, Oct. 18, 6pm to 8pm
- -Paying for Your Dreams: funding your energy transition project Where: EFCL offices, 7103-105 Street

2016 – 2017 Membership Form–Malmo Plains Community League (Complete and drop off in the Malmo Hall mailbox, 11525 - 48 Avenue)			
First Name	Last Name	E-mail Address	
Street Address			Telephone Number
Membership ☐ Individual (\$15) ☐ Family (\$30)	Payment Method ☐ Cheque enclosed ☐ Contact me for payment	Would you like to receive very occasional e-mail updates regarding Malmo Plains Community League news and events? □ Yes □ No	

Classified Ads

Carpentry and Drywall

Anything from fixing doors to patching holes. No project is too small. Call Adam at 587-984-4291.

Cleaning Services

Homes or businesses. Call or text Shamila at 780-243-5507

Dog Walking and Care

Malmö Plains own professional dog walking service has been taking care off dogs in the neighbourhood for nine years. We offer daily walks on- or off-leash. Please check out Edmontonfitdogs.com, or on Facebook Edmonton Fit Dogs.

Additional services are now offered including bathroom breaks, feeding, playing or individual walks / visits. For rates call Janneke at 780 885 2437.

Electrical Work

Master electrician. All types of residential electrical work, including service changes. Please call Rob at 780-433-3837.

Handyman Services

For all your handyman work: Kitchen remodels, flooring install, door install, toilet change-out, closet upgrade, and general repairs. Call Lalith at 780-803-4731 or Lalith_gamage@hotmail.com

Lawn Mowing Service

Call Roman at 780-707-9697.

Personal Accounting Service

Individual tax filing and bookkeeping services. Please call Nancy at 780-807-1231.

Piano Lessons for Children

Beginner piano lessons for children aged 5 to 12 years. Lessons held in the Malmo area. Contact Daria at dariapiano2016@gmail.com or call 780-267-1802 (after 4:30 p.m. on weekdays or all day on weekends).

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Plumbing and Gas Fitting

Call Brett at 780-668-4788.

Pre-Kindergarten Registration

Spaces for children aged 3 or 4 years are still available in the Malmo Pre-Kindergarten, which is located in the Malmo Elementary School. For more information visit www.malmopreschool.com or send an e-mail to the Registrar at registrar@malmopreschool.com

Small Engine Repair

Repairs and maintenance for all your powered lawn, garden and snow equipment. Call Blair at 780-996-2041 or info@earthandturf.ca

Steeped Tea

Need to replenish your tea supply or want a great gift? Need a new, easy fundraiser? Earn 40%! Call Cheryl @ 780-439-1587 for quality loose leaf tea or go to my website: www.mysteepedtea.com/cherylmc.

Travel Agent

Great deals on fall and winter international airfares, exotic adventure travel packages, destination weddings/honeymoons and all inclusive beach vacations. We are a registered and licensed travel agency located right here in Malmo. Call Jay at 780-916-0112 or jay@swantravel.ca.

League Meeting

The regular meeting of the Malmo Plains Community League Executive will be held on Tues. Oct18 at 7:00 pm, in the Malmo Hall.

Newsletter Info

Malmo Plains Community News is published by the Malmo Plains Community League and distributed free to all homes in Malmo.

If you have a story idea, photo, or a classified advertisement send it to malmoplainsweb@gmail.com

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